

SECTION 10300 - EQUIVALENT RESIDENTIAL UNIT (ERU) DESIGNATIONS

Connection fees and usage rates depend on the Equivalent Residential Units (ERUs) purchased for each water and/or sewer connection. These fees are based on ERUs because the size and therefore the cost of the water storage, transmission and distribution and wastewater collection, transmission and treatment systems are directly related to the number of customers and their relative quantities of water usage and wastewater discharge. The relative volumes are measured in multiples of 12,000 gallons per month, which is considered one (1) ERU.

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Residential class:	<u>ERUs</u>
Single Family Unit	1
Duplex Units, Triplex and Quadplex	2, 3, 4 respectively
Multi-Family with individual meters	1 per meter
Multi-Family with one (1) meter for multiple units in the same building:	0.8 per unit

Commercial customers should determine their anticipated usage to be able to purchase the correct number of ERUs based upon their best business knowledge or other information such as usage at a similar existing facility. An ERU should be purchased for every 12,000 gallons per month of anticipated usage. Usage over the amount the ERUs purchased will result in peaking charges applied to the monthly bill. If the amount of ERUs is estimated low, customers have the option to purchase additional ERUs at any time. However, ERUs can not be refunded. The minimum ERUs for a commercial is one (1). The commercial customer ERU acknowledgement form is in Appendix 13600.

Irrigation usage will be billed at the Irrigation rates according to the purchased ERUs.

Note: Previously purchased Equivalent Residential Units (ERUs) for water or sewer capacity cannot be transferred from one property or account to another property or account.

Note: For purposes of this Section 10300, a mixed-use development developed as one functionally-integrated community shall be treated as a commercial use in its entirety and allow for the developer to provide directions for the allocation of ERUs within the development if the development is included within a new community district established under Chapter 349 of the Ohio Revised Code and will:

1. result in the creation or retention of a minimum of 2,000 permanent full-time equivalent jobs;
2. make investments of at least \$250 million in buildings, public and private infrastructure, and business development;
3. devote no more than 15% of its square footage to non-owner occupied residential use;
and
4. require the developer to purchase at least 150 ERUs of water and sewer capacity.

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